

House Resolution No. 4204

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State public events that admirably contribute to a high quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the Saint Louis Jewish Book Festival was established in 1979 as a special event where people of every race, religion, and age are welcome to gather to hear wonderful speakers and entertainers as they share thoughts and express opinions; and

Whereas, from November 2 through November 12, 2008, the thirtieth annual Saint Louis Jewish Book Festival will be sponsored by the Jewish Community Center and co-sponsored by fifty other community organizations, along with corporate and individual sponsors, in order to fund the special needs scholarships that JCC programs provide for individuals of all ages, including financial support for early childhood day care, senior adult day care, Alzheimer's programming, senior adult nutrition, and programs for people living with disabilities; and

Whereas, held each year during National Jewish Book Month, the Saint Louis Jewish Book Festival has fielded an array of authors and speakers covering a wide range of such topics as general fiction, world affairs, politics, Jewish issues, culture, cooking, music, health, the Middle East, media, business, sports, and entertainment; and

Whereas, the Saint Louis Jewish Book Festival has grown to become the largest such festival or fair in the United States with an attendance of more than 23,000 people during the course of its eleven-day schedule; and

Whereas, this year's special guest authors include Jerry Springer, Martin Fletcher, Tatiana DeRosnay, Jerry White, Dr. Ruth Westheimer, Allan Zweibel and Jeffrey Deaver:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with the Saint Louis Jewish Book Festival and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for a highly successful Thirtieth Anniversary event in 2008; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Saint Louis Jewish Book Festival.

Offered by _____
Representative Rachel Storch
District No. 64

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4204, adopted September 23, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker